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SHEEPMEAT POLICY IN BRUSSELS AND LONDON

1. NEW ZEALAND'S DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND MINISTER FOR OVERSEAS TRADE --
BRIAN TALBOYS -- WILL BE VISITING BRUSSELS AND LONDON
NEXT WEEK IN A LAST DITCH EFFORT TO INFLUENCE PROPOSALS
BEING FRAMED BY THE EC COMMISSION FOR INCLUSION OF
SHEEPMEAT WITHIN THE CAP. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED
BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, IAN STEWART,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, TED
WOODFIELD, AND HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY, BRIAN BREMNER.

2. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE, THE COMMISSION
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IS GIVING THOUGHT TO A PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE
A VARIABLE LEVY SYSTEM ON THIRD-COUNTRY IMPORTS TO
PROTECT INTRA-EEC PRODUCERS. THE VARIABLE LEVY WOULD
REPLACE THE 20 PERCENT IMPORT LEVY NOW PAYABLE ON NEW
ZEALAND LAMB IMPORTS INTO THE EEC, AND THE LOCAL FEAR
IS A VARIABLE LEVY MIGHT RISE WELL ABOVE THE PRESENT
20 PERCENT LEVEL. LEVIES BEYOND 20 PERCENT, HOWEVER,

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WOULD INVOLVE RENEGOTIATION WITHIN THE GATT.

3. NONETHELESS, NEW ZEALAND IS SUFFICIENTLY WORRIED THAT IT IS DISPATCHING MINISTER TALBOYS TO MEET WITH COMMISSION OFFICIALS AND WITH U.K. AGRICULTURE MINISTER JOHN SILKIN NEXT WEEK. THE STAKES ARE HIGH; NEW ZEALAND EXPORTS 250 MILLION DOLLARS OF LAMB TO THE U.K. ANNUALLY, AND THE IRISH AND FRENCH -- BOTH MAJOR SHEEPMEAT PRODUCERS -- HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR INCLUSION OF SHEEPMEAT WITHIN THE CAP. THE HOPE HERE IS THAT, IF A SHEEPMEATS POLICY MUST BE ARRIVED AT AT ALL, IT BE AS LITTLE HARMFUL TO NEW ZEALAND'S ESTABLISHED EXPORTS AS POSSIBLE. SELDEN

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